

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE: U.S.S.N. 09/397,110

FILED: September 16, 1999

TITLE: PROCESS AND MATERIALS FOR
THE RAPID DETECTION OF
STREPTOCOCCUS PNEUMONIAE
EMPLOYING PURIFIED
ANTIGEN-SPECIFIC
ANTIBODIES

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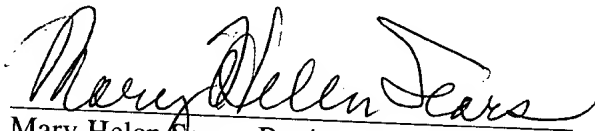
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REQUEST FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME
TO RESPOND TO OFFICE ACTION
MAILED NOVEMBER 30, 2000

Applicants hereby respectfully request that an extension of one month to and including January 30, 2001 be granted for response to the Office Action mailed November 30, 2000.

The requisite small entity fee for a one-month extension is \$55.00 and a check for the amount is attached hereto. Please charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 19-1027. A duplicate copy of this authorization is enclosed for that purpose.

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